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8. The mechanized company has three platoons, i.e., one platoon of artillery, a machine gun platoon with three Breda machine guns, and a mortar platoon with three Russian mortars with a range of three kilometers. All the above platoons are commanded by sergeants. The commander of the mechanized company is a lieutenant of artillery.
9. The battalion has a radio communications platoon under the command of a warrant officer.
10. The strength of the battalion is between 250 and 300 men. The company commanders are lieutenants; they are assisted by warrant officers.
11. The squad leaders in the platoons carry automatic weapons. The rest of the men carry Soviet rifles. Each platoon also has a light machine gun.
12. When the men of the above battalion returned from maneuvers they were disarmed, and the weapons were stored. The non-commissioned duty officer kept the keys of the storehouse.

52 Artillery Regiment of 16 Division

13. The 52 Artillery Regiment of 16 Division was created at the end of December 1947 out of the Artillery Brigade of 16 Division at Stip. The brigade was disbanded. Most of the men in the new regiment were new recruits who arrived at that time from Slovenia and Croatia.
14. The temporary commander of 52 Artillery Regiment is a captain. The political commissar is Captain Sastic. The strength of the regiment is about 400 men.
15. The regiment consists of three artillery units composed of three batteries each. Each battery has four cannon.
16. The cannon of 1 and 2 Units are horse-drawn, but 3 Unit is mechanized.
17. The horse-drawn cannon are Soviet 76 mm. of unknown type, with a divided trail. They are drawn by six horses. The wheels have solid rubber tires. Six men serve each cannon.
18. The regiment does not have proper caissons for the above cannon. The shells are transported on trucks.
19. The commanding officer of 2 Battery is Lieutenant Vozidar Subovic; the political commissar is Lieutenant Ljupchik.
20. The headquarters unit has five or six telephone operators, one radio operator, and two observers. The strength of all artillery batteries of the regiment varies between 40 and 50 men.

Training

21. The KNOJ officers' school operating in the city of Bjelovar was transferred to Mostar at the end of February 1948.
22. The course of training in the various KNOJ schools is three months for corporals and ten months for sergeants. They are taught tactics, communications, mine-laying, topography, and such academic subjects as geography, chemistry (for chemical warfare), criminology and security service in cities and villages. In all there are 18 subjects including political studies.

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